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In re application of

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JOHN A. MOON ET AL

Group No.: 2872

Serial No.: 10/661,254

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Examiner: Arnel C. Lavarias

Title: Chemical Synthesis Using Diffraction

Grating-based Encoded Optical Elements

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is a response to an Office Action mailed October 12, 2004 submitted with a request for a one month extension of time and a phone interview between Attorney Gerald L. DePardo (Reg. No. 36,121) and Examiner Lavarias on 9 November 2004. The amendments provided herein are deemed to place the application in condition for allowance in view of the art of record. On behalf of Mr. DePardo, the undersigned would like to thank Examiner Lavarias for the courtesy and cooperation extended during that interview.

In light of the aforementioned, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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